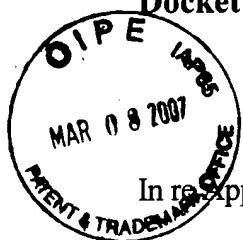


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RESPONSE TO THE RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement of February 27, 2007, the applicant elects claims 1 to 6 and 14-18, drawn to a document feeder or image reading apparatus including drive means connected to transporting means for driving the same and capable of rotating in forward and reverse directions. Please examine the application.

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